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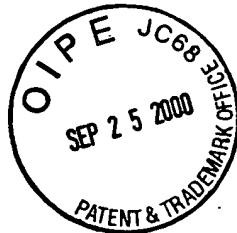
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In re Application of:

Munetaka TAKEUCHI, et al.

Serial No.: 08/889,440

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Examiner: DR. H. JONES

For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR SIMULATING PHENOMENA OF A
PARTICLE OF SUBSTRATE PARTICLES AND ADSORBATE PARTICLES

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 136(a), Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for an extension of time into the second month after the response due date, i.e., until October 9, 2000, for responding to the Office Action mailed June 9, 2000.

A check for the appropriate fee set by 37 CFR §1.17 of \$110.00 is attached hereto for this Petition.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any Petition for Extension of Time fee for underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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